

Children's Alphabet Book

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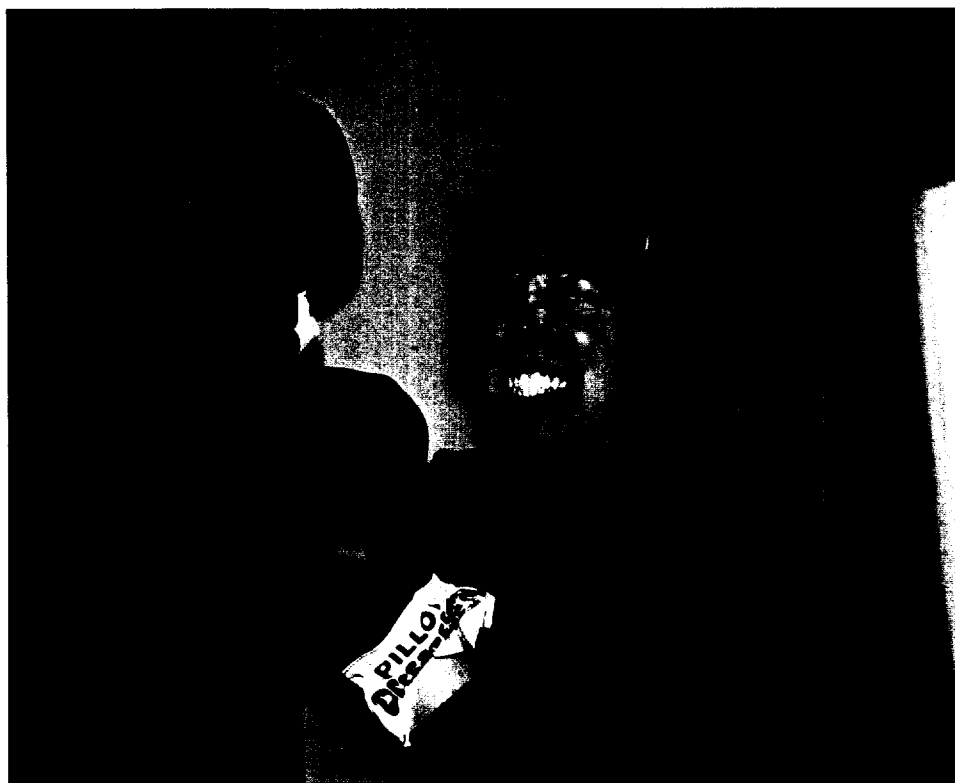
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Abstract

There are many children's alphabet books today. Most of them use the same words over and over again. The purpose of this project is twofold. One of my purposes was to create an alphabet book that can be used to expose children to new words and ideas and promote the expansion of vocabulary. The use of portrait photography brings these words and ideas to life. My second purpose in doing this book was to improve my skills as a photographer. I used my subjects to study lighting, placement, color, and framing. Some of the photos are candid and some of them are posed. I also gained a greater knowledge of Photoshop and learned how to use Quark Xpress through this semester. I learned to do many new things with my camera and on the computer to produce the photos and pages that I wanted.

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A



Angry



B

Bored

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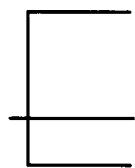


Cuddle



D

Decision



Enjoyment



F

Friends



G

Glasses



H

Hat



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J

Jump

K



Kiss

L



Lipstick



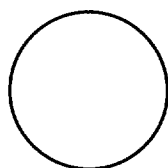
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Mean

N



Naughty



Oh!



P

Pokerface



Q

Quiet

R



Rolled Tongues

S



Smell



T

Tired



U

Upside-Down



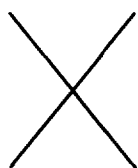
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Very Cold



W

Watchful



X-treme



Y

Yawn



Z

Zany

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(A most wonderful aunt)

Bored-Paul Muenzer

(Who has been an awesome friend through the years)

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(A neat sister and a fun cousin)

Hat-Elinore Thomas

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Ick!-Elizabeth Gale

(A wonderful lady who would even pretend to hate broccoli for her cousin)

Jump-Megan Ross

(One of the most fun people to live next door to and have pirate sword fights with)

Kiss-Josh Anderson and Jennifer Savage

(Two wonderfully in love friends)

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(A glamorous girl and great friend)

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(A new friend who welcomed me and isn't nearly as mean as he looks)

Naughty-Zach Darnall

(An adorable cousin who always provides lots of laughs)

Oh!-Julie Boucher

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Pokerface-Maggie Thomas

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